To: Gunnison City Council

From: Mike Lee – Systems Administrator

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Subject:

Region 10 – Broadband project update

Request for DOLA matching funds grant for FY 2016 & 2017

Phase 1 of the implementation Project Grant has been approved for funding by DOLA. Phase 1 is currently is DOLA contracting phase and once complete; RFPs for engineering will be released; followed by RFPs for construction/implementation.

Phase 2 Grant Costs include:

- 1. Leasing dark fiber from CenturyLink through an authorized reseller (Mammoth Networks) from Montrose to Gunnison. If dark fiber is not available the lease would change to lite fiber as a backhaul service. The costs of leasing the fiber will be part of the Region 10 operating costs.
- 2. Costs for installation and to make the fiber usable including required equipment.
- 3. New fiber from the CenturyLink Central Office to the City CNL (Carrier Neutral Location) at the City Police Department.
- 4. New fiber to the participating anchor institutions and required equipment.
- 5. City of Gunnison, Gunnison County and WSCU will use the existing fiber.
- 6. Leasing dark fiber from CenturyLink through an authorized reseller (Mammoth Networks) (Gunnison to Crested Butte). If dark fiber is not available the lease would change to lite fiber as a backhaul service. The costs of leasing the fiber will be part of the Region 10 operating costs.
- 7. Costs for installation and to make the fiber usable including required equipment.
- 8. New fiber from the CenturyLink Central Office to the Crested Butte CNL (Carrier Neutral Location) in the Crested Butte Marshall's office building.
- 9. New fiber to the participating anchor institutions and required equipment.

We are continuing to refine the costs for the project and the match amount for each participating institution.

Attached is a sample Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Region 10 and Delta County. The City of Gunnison would need to enter into a similar MOU to be included in the grant process. This would need to be approved at the November 17, 2015 Special meeting.

Thanks for your consideration of this very important project for the economic health of the Gunnison Valley.

Mike Lee

Systems Administrator